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Dear Sir.

This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 3, 2005. Without acquiescing to the statements made therein, Applicants hereby elects without traverse the claims of Group 1 (claims 1-30) for prosecution in this application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the non-elected claims in future applications. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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